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From: Richard Sanchez
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Subject: **DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES (DCSS)
FORCED ENTRY THEFT OF ENCRYPTED LAPTOPS CONTAINING
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

A forced entry burglary occurred during the weekend of July 5, 2008, at the Department of Community and Senior Services Adult Protective Services (APS) Office in the Florence/Firestone Service Center located at 7807 South Compton Avenue in Los Angeles. Items stolen from the Service Center were seven laptops with sensitive personal information that were encrypted per Board of Supervisors Policy No. 6.110 – Protection of Information on Portable Computing Devices. An estimated thirty (30) case management records were stored on these devices.

The Sheriff's Department was contacted and an incident report was taken. Although there are other offices within this center, including Supervisor Burke's District Office, only the APS Office experienced a break-in.

My Office is addressing physical security improvements with DCSS management staff. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Robert Pittman, Acting Chief Information Security Officer, at 562.940.2724, or via e-mail at rpittman@cio.lacounty.gov.

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